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Hongkong, January 1, 1912.

POINTS FOR PRIZE BABIES.

Seven pairs of twins were a popular class at a municipal baby show in the Anerley Town Hall, Penze. Unsuccessful babies—"thrown-outs," as they were ignorantly called—held a reception, hardly less brilliant, in the hall where tea was supplied to their mothers.

Dr. Eric Pritchard, who acted as chief judge and complimented the babies as some of the finest he had seen, explained that the state of the skin, teeth, and muscles were important factors in the decisions.

Two special prizes for the best baby in the show were awarded to Elsie Emily Barnes, the child of Mr. and Mrs. Barnes, 31, Trenholme-road, Anerley, and Ethel E. M. Baker, child of Mr. and Mrs. Baker, 10 Cambridge-grove, Anerley.

RECORD LOW BIRTH-RATE.

A fall in both the birth and death rate in England and Wales during 1912 is shown by statistics published in the "Lancet." The following are the figures for the last two years—

	1912.	1911.
Births per 1,000	23.8	24.37
Deaths	13.3	14.56

The birth-rate is again the lowest on record, having declined steadily since 1876, when it was 36.8.

ESTATES OF TWO WRITERS.

Mr. William Elvess Money, of 12, St. James's-place, S.W., who at the time of his death was engaged in writing the biography of Disraeli, left estate valued for probate at £175. Mr. Money died intestate on November 23 at the age of forty-six. Two volumes of the biography had been published.

Mrs. Emma Lavinia Hardy, of Max Gate, Dorchester, wife of Mr. Thomas Hardy, novelist, and herself a writer of many stories, sketches, and verses, left estate of £218 gross value. Mrs. Hardy died intestate on November 27.

GROUP.

If your children are subject to attacks of group, watch for the first symptom, incoherence. Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the child becomes incoherent and the attack may be stopped off. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

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COUGH BALSAM.**

It soothes the inflamed lungs and bronchial tubes, cures the cough and gives strength against future attacks.

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G. R.  
TENDERS.

SEALED TENDERS are invited for UPHOLSTERY, CLEANING and DYING WORK and MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES for H. M. NAVAL STORES, for one year from the 1st April next.

Tenders will be received at the Commodore's Office until Noon THURSDAY, the 6th March, 1913.

Forms of tender may be obtained on application to the Naval Store Officer, H. M. Naval Yard.

The right is reserved of rejecting all or any tenders and of accepting any portion of a Tender.

F. WESTON,  
Naval Store Officer.

H. M. Naval Yard,  
Hongkong, February 24, 1913. 268

G. R.  
TENDERS.

TENDERS are invited for the supply of LABOUR and JUNKS for ADMIRALTY COALING for a period of 12 months certain from the 1st April, 1913.

Forms for tendering can be obtained on application to the Naval Store Officer, H. M. Naval Yard, Hongkong, and tenders should be lodged in the Commodore's Office not later than Noon on the 10th March, 1913.

A deposit of One Hundred Dollars will be required from persons tendering, and will be returned in the event of Non-acceptance of the tender.

F. WESTON,  
Naval Store Officer.

H. M. Naval Yard,  
Hongkong, February 24, 1913. 269

G. R.  
TENDERS.

TENDERS are invited for supply of LOCAL COALS to the GRAZING STATION, H. M. Naval Yard, for 12 months certain from 1st April, 1913.

Total requirements about 2000 tons in periodical deliveries of about 200 tons. Full description of coal to be given in each case when tendering.

Forms of tender and conditions of contract can be obtained on application to the Naval Store Officer, H. M. Naval Yard, Hongkong, and should be lodged in the Commodore's Office not later than Noon on the 10th March, 1913. The right is reserved of rejecting all or any tenders, and of accepting any portion of a Tender.

F. WESTON,  
Naval Store Officer.

H. M. Naval Yard,  
Hongkong, February 24, 1913. 270

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Hongkong, September 4, 1908.

DIOCESAN & SCHOOL ORPHANAGE.

SCHOOL DUTIES will be resumed on SATURDAY, 1st March. For Terms for Boarders or Day-scholars. Apply to THE HEADMASTER. Hongkong, February 24, 1913. 271

NOTICE.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.

We beg to advise our Customers that we have REMOVED to No. 37, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, from TO-DAY (Tuesday), 18th February.

Silk and Grass, Linen Dress and Blouse Patterns, Silk Scarves, Shawls, Mandarin Coats and all other kinds of Goods can be had from our Store at Very Moderate Prices.

A TRAIL is EARNESTLY SOLICITED. Yours faithfully, K. A. J. CHUTTMALL & Co. Hongkong, February 18, 1913. 229

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE DIVIDEND DECLARED for the Half-Year ending 31st December, 1912, at the rate of TWO POUNDS STERLING together with a Bonus of Five Shillings Sterling per Share of £125 is Payable on and after MONDAY, the 24th day of February, Current, at the Offices of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors, N. J. STABE, Chief Manager. Hongkong, February 22, 1913. 243

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Estimates for wholesale orders gladly submitted.

An inspection is respectfully solicited. Hongkong, October 15, 1912. 183

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BUSINESS NOTICES.

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The Accommodation in this Vessel is at the entire disposal of Passengers from the Far East.

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Hongkong, September 2, 1912. 1096

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Hongkong, October 9, 1911. 129

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75 cents per 1 lb. tin.

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Hongkong, Feb. 24, 1913.









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### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),

### FRIDAY,

the 26th February, 1913, commencing at 2 P.M., at HUGHES & HOUGH, No. 27, Robinson Road, —

THE WHOLE OF THE  
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD  
FURNITURE,

THIRTEEN CONTAINERS.

As follows:—Silk-covered Drawing Room Suite, Blackwood & Cherrywood Cabinets and Chairs, Stands, etc., Curious, Silk-embroidered Wall Hangings, Water Colours and Oil Paintings, a number of Good Vases, etc., including a few Old Brass Ornaments (taken from Peking during the Boxer Rebellion).  
Massive Oak Sideboard and Dinner Wagon, Extension Dining Table and Chairs, Carpets and Rugs, (Practically new) Electro-plated Cutlery and Glassware including Dinner Service, Dessert Service and a complete set of Crystal by Lillington, France.

Brass and Brass mounted Bedsteads and Cots with Hair Mattresses and Pillows (Lane, Crawford & Co.) Oak Bureau, Washstands, Wardrobes, Overmantels, etc. Bath Room, Pantry & Kitchen Utensils, etc.  
An Upright Iron Grand Piano by "Rachels" in Excellent Condition and Specially made for the Climate, 1 Trundle Sewing Machine by "Singer," Sunblinds, Gas Fittings, Plants, &c. in Proliferous Pot-  
(Full Particulars in Catalogue).  
On view 24th inst.  
TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, February 15, 1913. 225

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),

### SATURDAY,

the 1st March, 1913, at 11 A.M., at No. 42, NATHAN ROAD, Ground Floor, Kowloon, —

A LARGE QUANTITY OF  
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.,

Comprising:—

Wardrobes, Washstands, Bureaus, Dressing Tables, Chairs, Sofas, Dining Tables, Metal Safes, Ice Boxes, Ice Chests, Cooking Stoves, Overmantels, Pictures, etc., a quantity of Rattan Furniture, Electric Fittings, and two large Tankwood and Glass Show Cases.

On view from Wednesday, p.m.  
TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, February 22, 1913. 226

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

on

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY,  
the 5th and 6th March, 1913, at 10 A.M., each day, at H. M. NAVAL YARD, and at Kowloon Dock, —

OLD AND SURPLUS  
NAVAL & VICTUALING STORES.

Comprising:—

Old and Surplus Naval Stores:—Leather and Canvas Hoses, Chain Cable, Old Iron and Steel, Old Brass and Old Metal, Old Zinc, Steering and Fan Engines, Crank and Shaft Shafts, Vices, Electric Cable, Canvas Bags, Ash and Fir Oars, Old Cordage, Manila Hawser, Coal Sacks, India Rubber, Boots, Mats, Carpets, Blankets, Mineral Oil, &c., &c.

Old and Surplus Victualing Stores:—Provisions, reason's Clothing, Blankets, Officers' Mess Traps, (A quantity of Electro-plated Articles and Table Linen), Implements, Seamen's Mess Utensils, Oak Staves, Weighing Machines, &c., &c.

Terms of Sale:—As detailed in the Catalogue.

HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, February 19, 1913. 228

## AUCTIONS

### PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),

### THURSDAY,

the 13th March, 1913, at 2.30 P.M., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Doe Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street, —

A CONSIGNMENT OF  
USEFUL HOUSEHOLD LINENS,

(ALL NEW GOODS),

Comprising:—  
Turkish Towels, Brown Linen Towels, Bath Sheets, Huckaback Towels, Hand-embroidered Pillow Cases, Bath Towels, Single and Double Bed Size Hem-stitched Sheets, Honeycomb Quilt, Damask Table Cloths and Serviettes, Roller Towels, Ladies' and Gent's Handkerchiefs, Lace Curtains, Sydes, 3lydes, and 4ly's, Pantry, Tea and Glass Cloths, Gent's English made Tunic Shirts, 15, 18, 16 & 18 1/2 in. Pyjama Shirts, Socks, Table Covers, Lady's Chemises, Camisoles, Etc., Etc., Night-dresses, Princess Skirts, Gent's Summer Vests, Singlets, &c.

A few lots of Table Plate, E.P. Centre-piece, Fruit Dishes with E.P. Handles, Rogers Cutlery, etc., etc.  
(In small lots to suit purchasers).  
TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, February 21, 1913. 231

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER  
OF COMMERCE.

### NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
of the Members of the HONGKONG  
GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be  
held on TUESDAY, the 4th March, 1913,  
at 4 o'clock P.M., precisely, in the Old  
Chamber of Commerce Room, CITY  
HALL, for the following purposes:—

- (1) To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the year ended 31st December 1912.
  - (2) To elect a new Committee.
  - (3) To transact any General Business.
- By Order,  
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 21, 1913. 236

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD.

THE THIRTY-SECOND ORDINARY  
ANNUAL MEETING OF SHARE-  
HOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the  
General Managers at 11.45 A.M., on  
WEDNESDAY, 5th March, to receive a  
Statement of the Company's Accounts to  
31st December 1912, and the Report of  
the General Managers.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-  
pany will be CLOSED from the 25th  
inst. to the 5th prox., both dates inclusive.  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, February 29, 1913. 232

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO.,  
LIMITED.

### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-FOURTH ORDINARY  
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS  
will be held at 12 o'clock (Noon), on WEDNES-  
DAY, the 12th March.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-  
pany will be CLOSED from the 5th to the  
12th proximo, both dates inclusive.  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, February 25, 1913. 275

## PATELL & CO.

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## THE GERMAN ARMY.

PARLIAMENTARY STRUGGLE CONTINUING.

BERLIN, Jan. 26.  
With the semi-official admission made  
during the week-end by the "Norddeutsche  
Allgemeine Zeitung" that the German  
Military Estimates for 1913 will, after all,  
contain provision for an extra expenditure  
of five million pounds yearly, is sounded  
the first note of the great Parliamentary  
struggle which has been impending ever  
since the last general election in January  
of 1912, when the Social Democrat  
candidates were returned in such force to  
the Reichstag.

The facts, so far as the military Budget  
itself is concerned, are as follows: All  
through last year the Government allowed  
it to be understood that there would, in  
1913, be no further expenditure upon the  
army over and above the yearly sum already  
allocated for that purpose, and even went  
so far as to deny in its official organs any  
statements or rumours to the contrary.  
This procedure, it now appears, was merely  
intended to gain the Opposition Party in  
the Reichstag, of which the Social Demo-  
crats form such a large individual group,  
and which is averse to further military  
expenditure on account of the increased  
taxation it will entail.

A week or two ago it leaked out that an  
additional amount of one million pounds  
would be asked for in the estimates for  
military aeroplane purposes. Owing to  
the popularity of the new arm with all  
classes of the German people, this demand  
met with little or no opposition. But now  
the official Government organ admits that  
the Government "have for a long time  
been unanimously of the opinion that  
certain increased demands of the army  
must be satisfied," and the "Germania,"  
the organ of the Roman Catholic Centre  
Party, finds itself in a position to state  
that a total increase of 100,000,000  
marks yearly will be asked for the  
military estimates. This amount is made  
up of 70,000,000 for military purposes,  
18,000,000 for military aeroplane  
purposes, and 10,000,000 or 12,000,000  
for various details of organization,  
making a total increase of approximately  
25,000,000 sterling per year.

Now as to the Parliamentary aspect of  
the question. In the present Reichstag,  
the Opposition is, with one exception in  
the history of the German Empire. Indeed,  
the division between the forces of the  
Government and of the Opposition is so  
fine that the balance of power in the  
Reichstag is really in the hands of several  
small independent groups and individual  
members.

The Opposition, led by the Social Demo-  
crats, who are supported by the Liberals,  
Freethinkers, People's Progressive Party,  
and other allied groups, will refuse to  
sanction any further military expenditure  
which entails an increase of the burden of  
taxation under which the people are at  
present groaning. They demand that the  
necessary revenue of additional expendi-  
ture, if such be incurred, shall be derived  
from property taxes, inheritance tax, or  
other means by which the money shall  
come out of the pockets of the richer  
classes.

On the other hand, the Government  
forces in the Reichstag consist of the  
Conservative Agrarians and the Roman  
Catholic Centre. The Conservative Agrar-  
ians, whose vast estates have been handed  
down from father to son for many genera-  
tions, refuse absolutely to consider an  
inheritance tax, while the wealthy, Roman  
Catholic Party will not hear of a property  
tax. This latter divergence of interests,  
it appears, has during the months of last  
year led to bitter discussions among the  
inner circles of the "Clique Cabinet"  
appointed by the Kaiser.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN?  
These differences, it is stated, have now  
been reconciled, though no official intima-  
tion is given of the course which the  
Government has decided to pursue.

The great probability is, however, that  
yet another attempt will be made to force  
fresh taxes upon the masses, and in this  
case there is a possibility that the Opposi-  
tion may gather strength enough to throw  
the Government out of office. Should this  
happen, the Reichstag will be dissolved,  
and the Emperor is certain to follow: but  
what will happen after that can at present  
be merely a matter of conjecture.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE  
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NEW INSURANCE PAID FOR.....\$ 25,687,400

OUTSTANDING INSURANCE AMOUNTS TO.....\$282,653,226

ASSETS AMOUNT TO.....\$104,068,658

SURPLUS AMOUNTS TO.....\$17,322,761

DIVIDENDS TO POLICYHOLDERS.....10,576,157

TOTAL PAID POLICYHOLDERS.....53,439,367

TOTAL EXPENSES FOR 1910.....10,392,093

GROSS EARNINGS FROM INTEREST.....\$1,646,522

RENTS FOR 1910.....4,482

GROSS RATE OF INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS 1910.....4.82

Hongkong, Feb. 23, 1912. 27

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE  
INSURANCE CO.

IN WHICH ARE VERIFIED THE SHARES OF

THE OCEAN MARINE INSURANCE

COMPANY, LTD.,

and

THE RAILWAY PASSENGERS' ASSURANCE CO.

TOTAL FUNDS AS 31st DECEMBER, 1911

£22,561,385.

—Authorized Capital £4,000,000

Subscribed Capital £4,000,000

Paid-up Capital.....£2,437,600

—Fire Funds.....\$3,828,114

—Life & Annuity Funds.....18,182,180

Banking Fund Account.....\$8,513

Revenue—Fire Branch.....\$67,158

—Life and Annuity.....1,973,269

Revenue Marine Department.....282,692

Other Receipts.....430,138

—£25,232,512

The Accumulative Funds of the various

Branches are separately invested, and, by

Act of Parliament, are set aside to meet

the claims under the respective Depart-

ments of the Company's Business.

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Auxiliary Cruiser Yacht

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Task built. Task decked. Metal sheathed.

Complete with all deck gear, anchors, etc.

Cabin and Pantry furnishings, etc.

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THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),

FRIDAY,  
the 26th February, 1913, commencing at  
2.30 P.M., at No. 19, HUNTER'S  
AVENUE, KOWLOON, —

A QUANTITY OF  
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD  
FURNITURE.

On View from Wednesday, the 26th Feb.  
Catalogue will be issued.

TERMS:—Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,  
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, February 20, 1913. 247

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction

on

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY,  
the 5th & 6th March, 1913, commencing  
each day at 5 p.m., at his Sales Rooms,  
DUNDELL STREET, —

A SUPERB PRIVATE COLLECTION OF  
SOUTH AFRICAN AND TRANSVAAL  
POSTAGE FISCAL STAMPS.

Containing many of the greatest rarities,  
used and unused, and large numbers of  
early Republic and first British Occupation  
Issues: Making, Hongkong, early  
Cyprus and other rare extremely Valuable  
Stamps in the highest condition.

The Catalogue value of the Transvaal  
Stamps alone is over \$3,000.

Therefore, however, many unpriced speci-  
mens of exceptional character and it is  
probable that no such collection has ever  
been previously offered for sale in the  
Colony.

On view from Friday, the 28th Feb.  
Catalogue will be issued.

TERMS:—Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,  
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, February 24, 1913. 272

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
GENERAL MANAGERS, HONGKONG

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Hongkong, Feb. 23, 1912. 27

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—Fire Funds.....\$3,828,114

—Life & Annuity Funds.....18,182,180

Banking Fund Account.....\$8,513

Revenue—Fire Branch.....\$67,158

—Life and Annuity.....1,973,269

Revenue Marine Department.....282,692

Other Receipts.....430,138

—£25,232,512

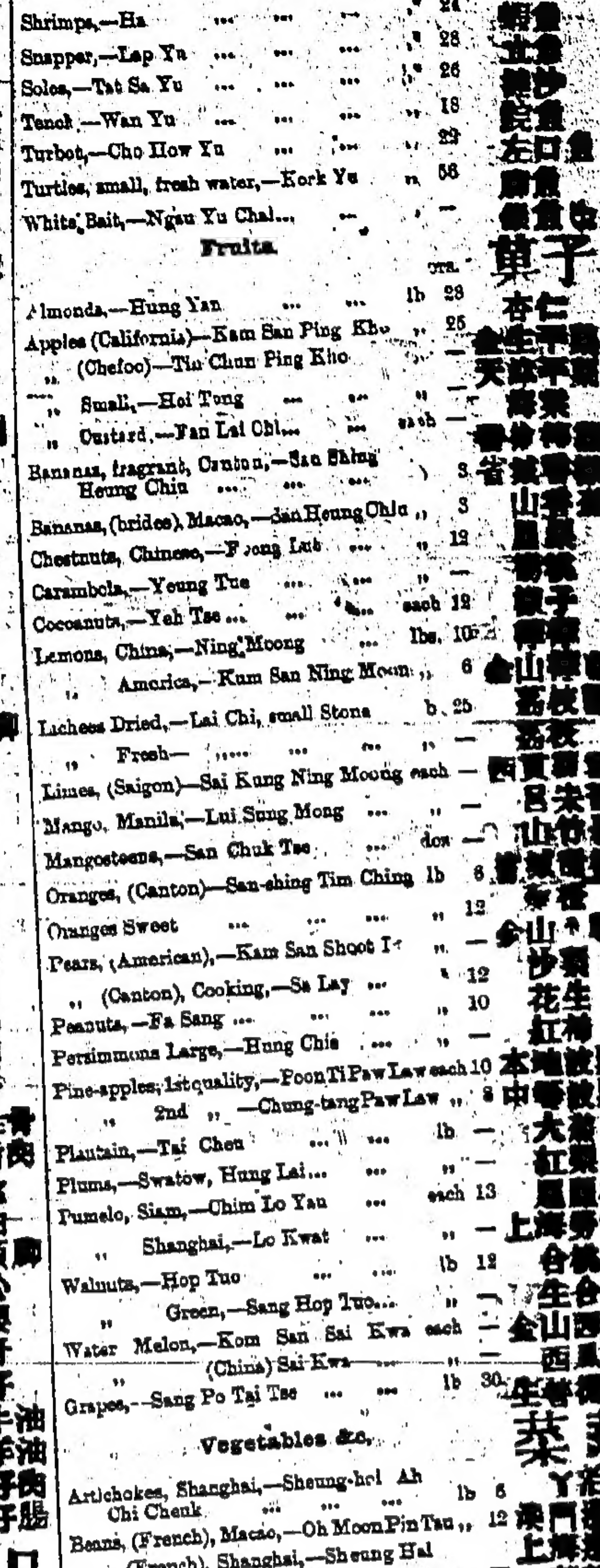
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## BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

### THE MARCONI INQUIRY.

LONDON, Feb. 26.  
Mr. Herbert Samuel, Postmaster General, in a letter replying to the Marconi Company, reiterates his opinion that the Company have no right to retire from their contract. He states that he will hold himself free and enforce all his rights upon the Company.

### TURCO-BALKAN WAR.

#### MILITARY OPERATIONS PREVENTED.

LONDON, Feb. 26.  
A telegram from Sofia states that heavy snow which has fallen everywhere at the "front" will prevent military operations for some days.

### DEATH OF A WELL-KNOWN PHILATELIST.

LONDON, Feb. 26.  
The death is announced of Mr. Stanley Gibbons, the well-known stamp dealer.

### MYSTERIOUS AIRSHIPS.

#### HUMOURS OF NOCTURNAL VISITS TO ENGLAND.

LONDON, Feb. 25.  
There are persistent reports based upon the statements of reliable witnesses that mysterious airships had been cruising from the North Sea slightly over the north and south of England. It now transpires that these coincide with the official announcement of two long distance flights by Zeppelin airships, including a wonderful voyage of 1,065 miles in 31 hours. Great prominence is being given to Germany's airship fleet of 36 dirigibles, of which 20 are capable of crossing and recrossing the North Sea without renewing fuel.

### GREAT BRITAIN'S "DEFENCELESSNESS."

The newspapers make a special feature of the nocturnal airships, and publish details regarding the German fleet of dirigibles, comparing it with Great Britain's "defencelessness."

### GERMAN PRESS COMMENTS.

The German newspapers ridicule and resent the reports, and declare that it would be impossible for even the most powerful Zeppelin airship to secretly visit England without discovery.

### INQUIRY INTO PROBLEM OF INVASION.

It is stated that the Committee on Imperial Defence, presided over by Mr. Asquith, has begun a new enquiry into the problem of invasion in view of the changed conditions since the last enquiries in 1904 and 1908. The present experts are Prince Louis of Battenberg (First Sea Lord) and General Sir John French. The investigation will for the first time embrace the possibility of operation in regard to aircraft and warships, including submarines.

### THE AERIAL ACT.

The Morning Post says that the Aerial Act, passed on the 12th inst., will be enforced in the strictest manner, and when the whole scheme is issued it will be found that the prohibited areas are very numerous. Officers will be fully empowered to deal with violators. The International Aviation Competitions in England will in future be given no latitude respecting such areas. The question of private aerodromes in Great Britain will also be thoroughly investigated.

### A VISIT TO PORTSMOUTH.

Considerable sensation was caused at Portsmouth yesterday evening by the appearance of an airship, with a powerful light hovering in the vicinity of the Marine Barracks. The airship departed northwards. The police and others heard the machinery and watched the manoeuvring of the searchlight.

## BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

### MILITANT SUFFRAGISM.

#### MRS. PANKHURST ARRESTED.

LONDON, Feb. 25.  
Mrs. Pankhurst has been arrested and will be charged at Epsom with inciting others to blow up Mr. Lloyd George's house at Walton Hill.  
At a great Suffragette meeting at the London Pavilion the announcement of the arrest of Mrs. Pankhurst led to uproarious scenes, due to a strong hostile element. It was also announced that Miss Lenton, who was arrested on suspicion of being concerned in the burning of the tea pavilion at Kew Gardens, had been released in a state of collapse brought on by having refused to take food.

### THE COURT PROCEEDINGS.

The Epsom Police Court was crowded when Mrs. Pankhurst was brought up on a charge in connection with the blowing up of Mr. Lloyd George's country house near Walton Heath. The Suffragette leader, who was greeted with cheers and boos, was remanded after formal evidence had been taken by the Bench. Bail was granted in the sum of £700 on defendant promising to refrain from any incitement, or attendance at public meetings.

### MR. BURNS AND THE.

#### "ORGANISED BLACKGUARDISM."

LONDON, Feb. 26.  
Mr. John Burns, President of the Local Government Board, speaking at Battersea referred to the Suffragettes, and said that he was going to do his best to break down this tyranny of organised blackguardism. It was in the interest of democracy to terminate such despotism immediately.

### THE ANTARCTIC DISASTER.

#### HONOUR FOR CAPTAIN SCOTT'S WIDOW.

LONDON, Feb. 25.  
The King has granted Mrs. Scott, the widow of Captain Scott, the same precedence as if her husband had been nominated Commander of the Bath, as he would have been if he had survived.

### "UNWARRANTABLE SUSPICION."

At a meeting of the Royal Geographical Society Lord Curzon, in the course of a panegyric on Captain Scott and his comrades, referred to the conjectures as to the cause of the disaster, and said that it would be unwise to add unwarrantable suspicion to the burden of sorrow and suffering already laid on the afflicted men.

### TELEGRAM FROM LADY SCOTT

Lady Scott has cabled to her brother in Birmingham that information of her husband's death in the Antarctic has reached her. Lady Scott's health is good.

### THE BRITISH NAVY.

#### OTHER FIVE DREADNOUGHTS.

LONDON, Feb. 25.  
The Daily Telegraph states that the Navy Estimates provide for five Dreadnoughts, excluding that, given by the Malay States.

The Navy League passed a resolution congratulating the Sultan and the people of the Malay States on their public spirited devotion to the Empire.

### PORTUGAL'S COLONIES.

#### A SINISTER RUMOUR.

LONDON, Feb. 25.  
A message from Lisbon says that in the Chamber of Deputies the Foreign Minister denied the rumours of Anglo-German negotiations on the subject of Portugal, and said the British Government had no intention of concluding any agreement which might affect the sovereignty and integrity of Portugal and her Colonies. He declared that no such agreement existed between Great Britain and Germany, and no negotiations with that purpose in sight had been opened. He added that the German Government repudiated any suggestion that is ever thought of interfering with Portugal's sovereign rights.

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## BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

### THE MEXICAN REVOLT.

#### ANOTHER ATROCITY.

LONDON, Feb. 26.  
A Reuter message from El Paso states that 93 Mexican Federal Volunteers who revolted as a protest against the killing of ex-President Madero, were taken out one by one, placed against a wall and shot. The majority of them faced death very courageously, refusing to be blindfolded.

### THE MAWSON EXPEDITION.

#### TWO DEATHS.

LONDON, Feb. 26.  
Reuter's Sydney correspondent states that news has been received of the death of Lieut. Minnie and Dr. Mertz, of the Mawson Antarctic expedition. Dr. Mawson and six others missed the relief ship and will be compelled to spend another winter in the Antarctic.

### IMPORTANT RESULTS.

Reuter's Melbourne correspondent, telegraphs that Dr. Mawson, in a wireless message to the Governor-General states that by sledging he has opened up a large area of new land east and west of Commonwealth Bay, and has obtained important data from a number of stations in proximity to the magnetic pole. He concludes "It is probable that six of the staff and myself will be unavoidably detained for another year."

Dr. Mawson also sent a message to the King.

### ANOTHER ACCOUNT.

Reuter's Melbourne correspondent telegraphs that Lord Denman, Governor-General of Australia, has received a wireless message from Dr. Mawson, the scientist, via Macquarie Island announcing two deaths in the expedition but stating that the others were well. After this Professor David, Sydney, received a wireless message from Adelie Island stating that there had been most successful sledging operations. Dr. Mawson, missed the Aurora, which was bound for the termination base to pick up Wilde's party. "owing to unfortunate circumstances." They will probably winter in Adelie Island.

### NEW TERRITORY DISCOVERED.

#### "KING GEORGE THE FIFTH LAND."

Dr. Mawson, in a message to the King, has asked His Majesty's permission to name a large area of newly discovered land "King George the Fifth Land." The new territory lies between Victoria Land and Adelie Land, and the sledging party with the expedition concentrated their chief efforts upon its exploration.

### THE DEAD MEMBERS.

A telegram from Sydney states that Lieutenant Minnie and Dr. Mertz are the names of the men who have died.

### (Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.)

### JAPANESE POLITICS.

Tokyo, Feb. 26.  
Messrs. Ozaki and Okazaki, leading members of the "Seiyun-kai," along with others of that Party who insisted upon a purely Constitutional Cabinet, left the Party yesterday. The Party, which contained more than half of the number of members of Parliament, is now reduced to less than half.

Parliament assembles to-day, which is the first meeting since the Yamamoto Cabinet was organised.

### JAPANESE CORONATION.

It is stated that the Japanese Department of Communications invites designs for the special postage-stamps to be issued next year in commemoration of the Coronation. Designs must be sent to the Department by noon on March 15th next.

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## KWANGTUNG NEWS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

A FASHIONABLE WEDDING.  
On the nineteenth of the month a fashionable wedding was conducted in Canton along new and modern lines. The contracting parties were Chow Kwan Po, the son of an ex-Tatui, and the daughter of one Wang. The latter is a teacher in one of the normal schools, and, therefore, in touch with the forward movement. Instead of the usual formalities, there was a public function, and the guests invited numbered about five hundred. At the ceremony was a representative of the Minister of Education, and also several other important personages. Those present were presented to the bride, and offered their congratulations. Thereafter, some female students sang songs, and there were speeches made after the model of the Western etiquette on such occasions. When this part of the function was completed there was a big feast, and the ceremony was brought to a conclusion. We have compressed the full report before us. Evidently the writer thinks that it was worth while to report this in full, because he style was modern, and the innovations many.

SHIPS NOT TO BE HINDERED.  
We have used the word ships, but really the advice tendered to the several local stations or rather to those in control thereof, refers to native craft, and their movements on the inland waters of the delta. It has come to the ears of the Governor-General, that, at some of these stations, when the boats arrive late, they are detained till the following morning, inasmuch as the officials think that it is too much trouble to examine the papers and give passes after dark, when they are supposed to have finished their day's work. The Governor has issued a proclamation in which he orders these customs officers to attend to their duties whenever they are called upon to do so, whether by night or day. It is pointed out that the movements of these boats are very important to the success of business, and that, therefore, they are not to be detained at all against their will at any time. Immediate clearance is to be given when requested. This is a move in the right direction, as the delays under the Manchus were very exasperating.

GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S NEW SEAL.  
The Governor-General has notified all and sundry that he has been supplied with a new seal, and that it is made of silver. This seal has been sent direct from Peking.

CANTON CEMENT.  
The native papers are jubilant over the possibilities of the cement trade in Canton. It is reported that lime and limestone are easier to get than in the case with the Green Island Company, and this is likely to be correct. Not only are the sources nearer to the Canton works, but, being in the hands of natives, it is likely that work is done cheaper. Anyway, this is the contention. The consequence is that the Company is able to sell the manufactured material about one dollar twenty cents cheaper than any foreign firms in the East can sell it at present.

Hence the natives themselves are more and more buying from the Canton firm. Not only are the sales to local buyers increasing, but also the northern provinces are finding out this difference in price, and for railway and bridge building they are getting their cement at Canton. Recently Lau Tze-kwei gave orders for cement for Shanghai and Hankow. It is reported that he gave orders for more than twenty thousand barrels. What the quality of the material is the report does not say, but apparently it passes muster, for the Chinese soon understood whether materials are worth their attention or not.

### STRANGE DOINGS AT TWANG SHING.

Recently some troops under one Cheung Yue-chueh were told off for the Twang Shing district, in order to seek out opium smokers and also to see if there were contraband arms in the possession of the natives. It was reported that even up to the present there is a good deal of opium smoking going on in this neighbourhood. Whether these troops found any opium smokers or not does not appear, nor whether they discovered arms. What they did discover was four hundred dollars in the shape of one of the business men, and this sum they at once transferred to their own pockets. This outrage might have passed unnoted, but the depredations of the soldiers did not end there. They went into another private house, inhabited by a woman, and stole from it and even from the person of the owner of the house all the jewellery they could lay their hands on. They were, however, not sharp enough for the woman, whilst the soldiers were enjoying themselves, she managed to get a bag or two from their uniforms undetected, and when she had these in her hands, she went off to a friend of hers, and soon a party was on its way to Canton with these evidences of the soldiers' depredations. It must be said that the central authorities at once sent down some more troops, under competent authority, to look into the case, and is likely that these particular soldiers will not steal any more things, for they will have to pay for their misdoings with their lives. It seems past belief that these men, knowing that they expose themselves to run these risks for the sake of a few dollars.

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LEATHER.

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These of the central Hien of Kwangtung are famous for their hides, and these must be a large number, if the figures before us, as to their value during any one year, are correct. It is said that every year about ten million dollars worth of these hides are exported. It seems now that the Governor-General has notified those who are engaged in this important trade, and who prepare the hides for exportation, that it is intended in future to keep many of them in the province, for seeing that the new tannery is completed, and seeing that under the modern ideas, that are prevalent in regard to acquiring children, much more leather will be needed than used to be demanded. Therefore, most of these hides will find buyers within the province itself. The dispatch also points out that foreigners will not be able to reap such a harvest from the Chinese if these hides are withheld from them. Of these hides as well as of only a notification, and the people themselves will be the final deciders as to what market shall take their hides, and this will depend upon whether the hides are sold to the foreign or native tanneries, or whether they are sold to the Chinese tanneries. We should have hesitated to believe that the business in hides amounted to such a large sum in any one year, but take the figures as they stand for the time till we find them corrected.

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to the Express Mail Steamer at PORT SAID.  
Accommodation in the connecting Steamer from COLOMBO is definitely reserved  
in Hongkong at the time of Booking.

FARES TO LONDON

1st SALOON £71.10 SINGLE £136.14 RETURN.

2nd " £35.10 " £68.10 "

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE MAIL STEAMERS

INTERMEDIATE (NOT-TRANSHIPMENT) STEAMERS

WILL LEAVE FOR

## LONDON,

CARRYING 1st and 2nd SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

PROPOSED SAILINGS:

STEAMERS	Leave HONGKONG	Due Marseilles	Due London
SOMALI ..... MAR. 15 MAMUN ..... MAR. 22 MAMUN ..... APR. 12 MAMUN ..... APR. 26 MAMUN ..... MAY 10	about March 1 Mar. 15 Mar. 22 Apr. 12 Apr. 26 May 10	about April 6 Apr. 19 May 4 May 18 June 1 June 15	about April 11 Apr. 24 May 9 May 23 June 6 June 20

These Steamers call also at SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, and at  
MARSEILLES, as noted.

FARES TO LONDON

1st SALOON £35.10 SINGLE £68.10 RETURN.

2nd " £17.10 " £34.10 "

All Passenger Steamers are fitted with the Marconi System of Wireless Telegraphy.

For further particulars apply to

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES  
FRENCH MAIL LINES.

FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO AND FROM EUROPE,

Via SUEZ CANAL.

FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO AND FROM JAPAN,

Via SHANGHAI.

For SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA

ATLANTIQUE, Lige, 10th Mar., about 8 p.m.

MARSEILLES, Via Ports: PAUL LECAT, Lorient, 11th March, at 1 p.m.

TRANSHIPMENT on the Co's Steamers at COLOMBO for CALCUTTA, BOMBAY and  
AUSTRALIA, at Port Said for the LEVANT, CONSTANTINOPLE and BLACK SEA.Through Tickets to London, via Paris, from £27.10 up to £71.10, 20 hours  
journey from Marseilles to London. Interpretation most passengers on their arrival in  
Marseilles.

For further particulars apply to

P. THOMAS, Agent,

QUEEN'S BUILDING.

## HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

IN CONJUNCTION WITH

Deutsche Dampfschiffahrts-Gesellschaft 'HANSA'

REGULAR SAILINGS FROM JAPAN, CHINA AND PHILIPPINES,

Via STRAITS AND COLOMBO,

To MARSEILLES, HAVRE, BREMEN &amp; HAMBURG, &amp; TO NEW YORK.

and from MANILA, HONGKONG &amp; JAPAN TO VANCOUVER (B.C.)

and PORTLAND (Or.).

TAKING Cargo at through Rates to all Europe, North Continental and British

Ports, also Trieste, Lisbon, Oporto, Marseilles, Genoa, and other Mediterranean

and Atlantic, Black Sea and Baltic Ports, and North and South American Ports.

## NEXT SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG

Outward:

For Shanghai, Kobe &amp; Yokohama

S.S. SCHWARZBURG, 28th Feb.

S.S. SPEZIA, 8th Mar.

S.S. SCANDIA, 10th Mar.

S.S. SITHONIA, 28th Mar.

S.S. LIBERIA, 8th April.

For further Particulars, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

## HONGKONG-BOSTON &amp; NEW YORK.

AMERICAN ASIATIC S. S. CO.

FOR BOSTON, NEW YORK, via PORTS

AND SUEZ CANAL.

(With Liberty to Call at the Malayan Coast).

S.S. INDRADHO, On or about 27th February, 1913.

For Freight and further information apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES &amp; CO.,

General Agents.

Hongkong, January 24, 1913.

## SHIPPING

## THE BANK LINE, LTD.

(ANDREW WEIR &amp; CO.)

REGULAR SERVICE FROM HONGKONG TO

VICTORIA, VANCOUVER, B.C., SEATTLE, and

TACOMA.

via SHANGHAI &amp; JAPAN PORTS.

Carrying Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Overland Common Points.

Steamer

Sailing

EARLY MARCH

To be followed by other steamers of the Company at regular intervals.

The BANK LINE Steamers are of the Newest Design, have most Com-

modious Accommodation and are fitted throughout with Electric Light and

Wireless Telegraphy.

Special Parcel Express to American and Canadian Ports.

Will call at AMOY and KUNMING if sufficient inducement offered.

For Rates or Freight or Passage apply to

THE BANK LINE, LIMITED

KING'S BUILDING, PRINCE STREET.

Telephone No. 780.

## NEW YORK LINE.

REGULAR SERVICE FROM

JAPAN, CHINA &amp; STRAITS TO NEW YORK via SUEZ CANAL

Operated by Steamers of the

AMERICAN &amp; MANCHURIAN &amp; AMERICAN &amp; ORIENTAL LINES.

Steamer early.

For Rates of Freight, and further particulars apply to

THE BANK LINE, LIMITED

MANAGING AGENTS.

## AFRICAN LINES.

## ORIENTAL AFRICAN LINE.

REGULAR Direct Service from Japan, China, and Straits to Beira, Delagoa Bay,

Durban, East London, Port Elizabeth and Cape Town, calling at Mauritius

if sufficient inducement offered, and affording the Quickest Freight Transport from the

Orient to South Africa.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS.

S.S. DUNERIC, 3,000 tons, .....End of February.

And regularly thereafter.

For Rates of Freight or regularly Passage apply to

THE BANK LINE, LIMITED,

Managing Agents.

## INDIAN AFRICAN LINE.

CARGO carried on through Bills of Lading from HONGKONG to BEIRA,

DELAGOA BAY, DURBAN (NATAL), EAST LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH

and CAPE TOWN with transshipment at COLOMBO to steamers of the Indian

African Line.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS.

FROM HONGKONG.

15th Feb. Connecting with S.S. Tymeric 2nd March.

FROM COLOMBO.

For Rates and further information, apply to

THE BANK LINE, LIMITED,

(MANAGING AGENTS).

## NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,

BREMEN

## IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

FOR MANILA, ALGIERS, DERFFLINGER,

GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, CAPT. F. FROCH.

TON, ANTWERP &amp; HAMBURG.

SHANGHAI, TSINGTAU, YORCK,

Kobe &amp; YOKOHAMA.

MANTLA, YAP, MARONN, PRINZ WALDEMAR,

SAMARANG, NEWGUINEA, CAPT. H. BREMER.

BRISBANE, SYDNEY &amp; MELBOURNE.

Kobe &amp; YOKOHAMA.

PRINZ WALDEMAR,

CAPT. H. BREMER.

BORNEO,

KUDAT AND SANDAKAN.

CAPT. F. SEMBIL.

All the steamers of the European Line are fitted with Wireless Telegraphy. New

System of Teletype.

For further Particulars apply to

Norddeutscher Lloyd,

MELOHRS &amp; CO.,

General Agents, Hongkong &amp; China.

## PHILIPPINES STEAM-

SHIP Co.

Shipping

TAFIRO, 4,000 Tons, Capt. F. S. McMurray, Manila, Mangrove, Wednesday, Feb. 28, at 4 p.m.

KURI, 4,000 Tons, J. Miller, Manila, Mangrove, Thursday, Mar. 7, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

Shewan, Tomes &amp; Co., General Managers.

## SHIPPING

## AUSTRIAN LLOYD.

(Under Mail Contract with the Austrian Government).

MONTHLY FAST DIRECT SERVICE TO TRIESTE,

via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUVA, PORT SAID.

Accelerated Train Service from Trieste to Paris, London and Berlin.

S.S. AFRICA, 8350 tons, will leave as above on 13th March, at 5 p.m.

Cheap rates Hongkong—Shanghai 22 1st class, 24 2nd class and 28 3rd class.

Superior accommodation for tea and food. Cabin passengers. No extra.

No tips, no inside Cabins, excellent cuisine, Docks, Laundry, Wireless Telegraphy.

## TO SHANGHAI.

S.S. AFRICA, 8350 tons, will leave as above on 1st March, at 5 p.m.

Cheap rates Hongkong—Shanghai 22 1st class, 24 2nd class and 28 3rd class.

## MONTHLY ORDINARY SERVICE.

S.S. E. F. FERDINAND, 1300 tons, will leave for TRIESTE, PIUMI and

VENICE, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI,

ADEN, SUVA, PORT SAID, about 4th March.

## TO KOBE.

S.S. AUSTRIA, 14000 tons, will leave as above and to Yokohama via Shanghai

about 1st April.

Superior accommodation for Saloon Class Passengers.

ROUND THE WORLD TICKETS ARE ISSUED.

Cargo taken at through rates to all ports in the Adriatic, the Levant and Black

Sea, also to North and South America. For information apply to

SANDER, WIELER &amp; CO., Agents.

PRINCE'S BUILDING.

Hongkong, January 3, 1913.

## DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LD.

## HONGKONG-SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS.

HIGHEST-Class, fastest and most luxurious Steamers on the Coast, having

splendid accommodation for First-Class Passengers. Electric Light, Excellent

Cuisine.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY &amp; FOOCHOW

## AND RETURN.

(Occupying 9 to 10 Days).

STEAMERS

HAICHING, Capt. W. O. Pomeroy, FRIDAY, 28th Feb., at 10 a.m.

HAIKANG, Capt. J. S. Boach, TUESDAY, 4th Mar., at 10 a.m.

HAIKANG, Capt. A. E. Hodgkin, FRIDAY, 7th Mar., at 10 a.m.

## FOR SWATOW AND RETURN.

(Occupying 3 Days)

HAIKANG, Capt. J. W. Evans, SATURDAY, 1st Mar., at 5 p.m.

Steamers will arrive at, and depart from the Company's Wharf

near Blake Pier.

For Freight and Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS, LAFRAIK &amp; CO.,

General Managers.

## THE EASTERN &amp; AUSTRALIAN

MAIL

## STEAMSHIP CO.

LIMITED.

## TO AUSTRALIA, via MANILA.

## MAIL SCHEDULE

(SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION)

STEAMERS

ARRIVE HONGKONG FROM AUSTRALIA

LEAVE HONGKONG FOR AUSTRALIA

EMPIRE, To-day, March 11th, at 11 a.m.

ALDENHAM, March 12th, at 11 a.m.

ST. ALBANS, March 20th, at 11 a.m.

EASTERN, April 4, April 28th, at 11 a.m.

The above Steamers are fitted with Refrigerating Machinery, ensuring a plentiful

supply of Ice, Fresh Provisions, etc., and are lighted throughout with Electricity.

All Steerage Rooms have Electric Fans. A daily qualified Doctor and Stewards are carried.

For further particulars, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON &amp; CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, November 2, 1908.

## NOTICE.

## RUSSIAN VOLUNTEER FLEET.

The Steamers of the RUSSIAN VOLUNTEER FLEET calling at Hongkong once

a month both ways, Homeward and Outward, will accept cargo and passengers for the

ports they have to call at on the way, according to the schedule, as:-

HOMeward BOUND steamers for Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Djibouti,

Hodeidah, Jeddah, Sum. Port Said, Constantinople, Batoum, Odessa.

OUTWARD BOUND steamers for Nagasaki and Vladivostok.

The Hongkong Agency of the R. V. F. will also accept cargo and issue through

Bills of Lading for all Black and Azov Sea Ports with transshipment at Odessa, and for

Hakodate and all ports of Tartarian Strait and Kamchatka, with transshipment at

Vladivostok.

Cargo for all European Ports not mentioned in the steamers schedule will not be

accepted by this Agency.

Next SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG:-

The S.S. KIEV, 5665 R.T., Commander, Blotky, Outward bound, is ex-

pected to arrive in Hongkong about the 6th day of March, 1913.

The S.S. VORONEZ, 5112 R.T., Commander, Orlovsky, Homeward bound,

is expected to arrive in Hongkong about the 6th day of March, 1913.

For Freight, Passage and further particulars, apply to

CAPT. D. A. LUKHMANOFF,

AGENT.

HONG KONG, Nos. 14 and 16, Third Floor.

Telephone 1234

Hongkong, October 24, 1912.

## Notices to Consignees

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, YAP, PORTS &amp; MANILA.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO BY THE ABOVE

MANHOUTA.

The above-mentioned steamer, having

arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby

notified to send in their Bills of Lading and

counter-signatures, and take immediate

delivery of Cargo from the Company's

Godown.

Cargo will be landed immediately on

arrival of steamer at Consignee's wharf.

General average having been declared on

this steamer before obtaining delivery of

Cargo Consignees must sign General Average

Bond, furnish statements of value, and pay

a deposit of 10% of the value of their cargo.

Cargo remaining on board of the

DAY, March 2nd, 1913, at Noon will be

subject to landing and storage charges.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be

accepted.

All claims and otherwise damaged cargo

will be examined at the above Company's

Godown on SATURDAY, March 1st,

1913, at 10 a.m.

No claims will be entertained unless

accompanied by short delivery note or list

of exceptions taken at the time of delivery

to Consignees and signed for and on behalf



